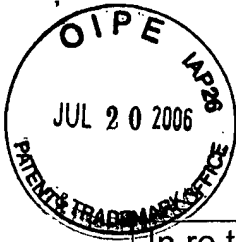



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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<p>In re the Application of:</p> <p><b>Enrique Zudaire Ubani et al.</b></p> <p><b>Serial No.: 10/658,602</b></p> <p><b>Filed: September 8, 2003</b></p> <p><b>For: PROTOCOL AND SOFTWARE FOR MULTIPLEX REAL-TIME PCR QUANTIFICATION BASED ON THE DIFFERENT MELTING TEMPERATURES OF AMPLICONS</b></p>	<p><b>Examiner: Zeman, Mary K.</b></p> <p><b>Group Art Unit: 1631</b></p> <p><b>Confirmation No.: 6049</b></p> <p><b>Docket No.: 41743.8001.US00</b></p> <p style="font-size: small;">I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July 2006 with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">               _____              Rena lov         </div>
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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The following is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 29, 2006 for the above-identified application. Claims 1-84 are currently pending in the application. The Office Action divides these claims into Groups I-IV. Applicants provisionally elect Group II, which includes claims 9-28, with traverse.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 16.